Corruption charges against chairman of Oriental Bank of Commerce

2147. SHRISUKHDEV SINGH'LIBRA':
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that serious charges of sexual misdeeds and harassment and corruption against the present Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Oriental Bank of Commerce were reported to him in August, 2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANT GANGARAM GEETE): (a) to (c) No complaint containing allegations of sexual misdeeds, harassment and corruption against the present Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Oriental Bank of Commerce was received in August, 2000. However, two complaints were received in August/September 1998 alleging that while working as General Manager in Union Bank of India, he had harassed lady officers and had abused his official position. There were also allegations that he facilitated 'hawala transactions', purchased bogus bills amounting to Hong Kong $65 millions, misused his position in issuing LC of 30 crores to a rice mill, violated RBI directives in accepting deposit from ONGC at higher interest rate, etc. These allegations were examined in consultation with RBI and no involvement and serious lapses were found against him and the matter was closed.

Complaints were also received in November 2001 containing similar allegations against CMD, OBC which have also been verified by the RBI and it has been reported that none of the allegations contained therein have been substantiated.The report o f the RBI is under consideration of the Government.

Loan by RRBs in Madhya Pradesh

†2148. SHRI BALKAVIBAIRAGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of loans disbursed by each Regional Rural Bank in Madhya Pradesh during the last two years;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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(b) whether increasing corruption in Regional Rural banks has deprived the farmers of availing benefits from banks;

(c) if so.what effective steps have been taken by Government in this regard; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRIANANT GANGARAM GEETE): (a) As reported by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), the details of loans disbursed, loans outstanding during last two years i.e. 1999-2000 to 2000-2001 by 19 Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in the State of Madhya Pradesh are furnished in the Statement *(See* below).

(b) to (d) No complaints have been received by NABARD/Govemment to suggest that farmers are deprived of the loan facility from the RRBs. However, under the present mechanism, the complaints/charges of corruption etc. levelled by the public/farmers against the staff of RRBs for sanction of loans, etc. are verified by the Chairmen of the RRBs. If the allegation of corruption is against the Chairman of any RRBs, the concerned Sponsor Banks verify the same.

Statement

Loans outstanding and Loans issued by RRBs in the State of Madhya Pradesh

(Rs. lakhs)

S.	Name of RRBs	Total Loans issued		Total Loans Outstanding	
		1999-2000	2000-2001	1999-2000	2000-2001
1	Ksh. Kisan Gramin Bank Hoshangabad	3206.12	4086.12	8446.76	9452.75
2	Rewa SkJhi Gramin Bank	795.11	2015.63	601031	5308.63
3	Bundefchand Ksh. Gramin Bank	2167.09	2689.72	4062.66	4666.07
4	Sharda Gramin Bank	868.01	131057	3003.98	352450
5	Jhabua Dhar Ksh. Gramin Bank	3172.62	3628.51	7768.58	936356
6	Snivpuri Guna Ksh. Gramin Bank	1644.14	1510.44	419654	4882.69
7	Damoh-Panna-Sagar Ksh. Gramin Bank	2059.52	2489.65	2686.67	3109B6

SI.	NameofRRBs	Total Loans issued		Total Loans Outstanding	
		1999-2000	2000-2001	1999-2000	2000-2001
8	Dewas Shajpur Ksh. Gramin Bank	1998.15	2745.83	5773.57	5951.22
9	Nimar Ksh. Gramin Bank	2007.53	3126.69	5721.59	6632.48
10	Mandla Balaghat Ksh. Gramin Bank	499.15	725.03	1691.61	2206.84
11	Chhindwara Seoni Ksh. Gramin Bank	1681.58	1823.62	4136.00	4947.80
12	Rajgarh Sehore Ksh. Gramin Bank	1826.81	214726	3907.81	4879.76
13	Shahdol Ksh. Gramin Bank	483.65	775.71	1617.93	1750.51
14	Ratlam Mandsaur Ksh. Gramin Bank	1649.87	1611.58	3241.13	3765.64
15	Chambal Ksh. Gramin Bank	2678.82	231925	4318.78	5122.12
16	Mahakaushal Ksh. Gramin Bank	313.35	67057	1000.10	1589.75
17	Indore Ujjain Ksh. Gramin Bank	1550.75	139221	3148.50	3218.36
18	Gwalior Datia Ksh. Gramin Bank	859.18	1287.82	2466.18	3366.54
19	Vidsha Bhopal Kshetriya Gramin Bank	; 1265.03	1570.61	3572.70	4764.85
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Note : Ksh = Kshetriya

Order issued against SBI by securities and Exchange Commission of USA

2149. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Ministerof FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Securities and Exchange Commission in USA has issued cease and desist" order against the State Bank of India;

(b) if so, the reasons for issuing such adverse order against our prestigious national bank;

(c) whether any appeal/protest has been lodged by the bank against the said order;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?